REMARKS

Claims 1-15 remain pending in this application.

Oath/Declaration

1.	The Examiner has objected to the Declaration on the basis that it does not identify the mailing address of each inventor, the citizenship of each inventor and it does not provide a signature of each inventor. In addition, the Examiner contends the Specification to which the Declaration is directed has not been adequately identified.

Applicants reviewed the Patent Application Information Retrieval service and found that the Examiner may have not received the Declaration that Applicants submitted. As a consequence, Applicants are resubmitting the Declaration that was filed March 13, 2002 with this response for the convenience of the Examiner, and respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw the objection.

2.	The examiner has also objected on the basis that Applicants have not given a post office address as required by 37 CFR 1.33(a). In response, Applicants are providing the following post office address and request that all correspondence be directed to:

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Applicants submit that this address fulfills the 37 CFR 1.33(a) requirement, and respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw the objection.

Claim Rejections – 35 USC § 102

The examiner has rejected claims 1-15 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) on the basis that the claims are anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,462,784 B1 (Kohno). Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection.

Claims 1, 8 and 15 each recite a "reference row" that is divided into segments so as to allow programming information to be aligned according to the segments of the reference row. The Examiner initially purports to identify a reference row in Kohno's "program title displaying section 82" of Figure 6. But the Examiner has not identified any construct in Kohno's "program title display section 82" that is divided into "a plurality of segments" so as to allow programming information to be aligned according to the segments of the "reference row" as recited in claims 1, 8 and 15. As a consequence, Applicants submit that the Examiner has not identified anything within Kohno that corresponds to the "reference row" recited in independent claims 1, 8 and 15.

To be more particular, the Examiner has not identified with any specificity (e.g., by reference numeral) what construct within Kohno's "program title displaying section 82" corresponds with Applicants' "reference row," but assuming, arguendo, that something in Kohno's "program title displaying section 82" corresponds to Applicants' recited "reference row," the Examiner has not identified any teaching within Kohno where a portion of Kohno's "program title displaying section 82" is divided "into a plurality of segments" as recited in claims 1, 8 and 15.

Instead, the Examiner contends Figure 17 and column 12, lines 1-13 teaches dividing the "reference row into a plurality of segments." Again, the Examiner has not identified with any specificity (e.g., by reference numeral) what construct of Kohno's

Figure 17 and column 12, lines 1-13 corresponds to Applicant's claimed "reference row."

Moreover, the "title section 182A" depicted in Kohno's Figure 17 is not part of Kohno's

"program title displaying section 82." In addition, column 12, lines 1-13 describes, at

most, the way Kohno displays block sizes according to the length of a program and does

not discuss division of a "reference row."

Finally, the Examiner contends that Kohno discloses (at column 3, lines 15-17)

aligning programming information according to segments of a reference row. Applicants

respectfully disagree and provide the text of Kohno's Col. 3, lines 15-17 for the

convenience of the Examiner:

> In the present invention, the table of program of specified period of
> time preferably has a program titled displaying section for indicating
> a program title, a channel condition setting section and...

Applicants respectfully submit that this portion of Kohno mentions nothing about a

"reference row" and nothing about aligning program information "according to segments

of a reference row" as recited in claims 1, 8 and 15.

The bottom line is, the Examiner has not identified any construct within Kohno

that corresponds to Applicants' "reference row" that is divided so as to allow

programming information to be "aligned according to the segments of the reference row"

as recited in independent claims 1, 8 and 15. As a consequence, Applicants submit

claims 1, 8 and 15 are novel, non-obvious and in condition for allowance.

Applicants also submit that dependent claims 2-7 and 9-14 are allowable, at least,

by virtue of their dependence from their respective allowable independent claims.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully submit that no further

impediments exist to the allowance of this application and, therefore, solicit an indication

of allowability. However, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned if any
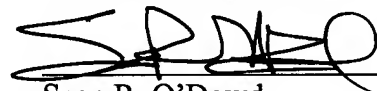
question or comments arise.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37

C.F.R. §§1.16, 1.17, and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any

overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1283.

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